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Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the *SR 108 Old Olympic Highway Safety Project*. The entity to receive funding for this project is Squaxin Island Tribe, located at 10 SE Squaxin Lane, Shelton, WA 98584. This funding will allow for increased pedestrian visibility and safety through a highway interchange area as well as improve safety and operational efficiency for motor vehicles by slowing traffic and managing turning movements. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because mitigating and preventing costly injury and fatality crashes is much less expensive than the costs of injury and fatality crashes. In addition, addressing inadequate pedestrian connectivity will help minimize a significant barrier between tribal residential areas and the tribal employment centers and regional transportation hubs they are traveling to and from.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized 23 USC 202.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

Derek Kilmer Member of Congress